

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In re)	
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Dixie Net Communications, Inc.)	
Petition for Waiver of Deadline)	WC Docket No. 08-71
Contained in 47 C.F.R. 54.307(c))	
)	
Waiver – Expedited Action Requested)	

REPLY COMMENTS OF DIXIE NET COMMUNICATIONS, INC

Dixie Net Communications, Inc (“Dixie Net”) respectfully makes brief reply comments in the above-captioned proceeding. On September 3, 2010, Dixie Net filed a petition for waiver of the March 30, 2010 filing deadline for line count information for high cost universal service support set forth in Section 54.307 of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC” or “Commission”) rules.¹ On September 27, 2010, the Wireline Competition Bureau released a public notice seeking comments on this petition.²

No party filed comments in response to the *Dixie Net Public Notice*. Thus, there is no opposition whatsoever to Dixie Net’s petition for waiver. Moreover, Dixie Net previously explained, in its petition, how good cause exists for the Commission to grant the waiver request and demonstrated how such a grant would be consistent with prior Commission decisions.³

Loss of universal service support due to an unforeseen (and initially, unknown) electric power outage that prevented the timely filing of Dixie Net’s March 30, 2010 High Cost Loop,

¹ 47 C.F.R. §54.307.

²Public Notice, “Comment Sought on the Dixie Net Communications, Inc. Petition for Waiver of a Universal Service High-Cost Filing Deadline,” WC Docket No. 08-71, DA 10-1720 (rel. September 27, 2010) (“*Dixie Net Public Notice*”).

³ Petition of Dixie Net, at 1, 4-7.

Local Switching Support, Long Term Support and Interstate Common Line Support, hereafter referred to as High Cost Model Support (“HCM”) Line Count data submissions is inconsistent with the goals of the FCC’s universal service fund program. The lack of HCM funding continues to create economic burdens on Dixie Net and creates a risk to Dixie Net’s ability to provide high quality services to its mainly rural customers and to expand the Company’s network.

For the foregoing reasons, Dixie Net respectfully requests that the Commission grant the requested waiver, such that Dixie Net can receive its third quarter 2010 HCM support and for whatever other relief is deemed appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,
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